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Personal Mention

Al Hanson went with his wife to Trinidad Sunday where Mrs. Hanson will take treatment at a hospital and may be obliged to submit to an operation, for the relief of a serious trouble.

A caucus was held Thursday evening for the purpose of placing another ticket in the field for village officers. We are at press too early to get the names of the new ticket.

We are interested in the subject of printing ballots. The more the better for us.

A new telephone directory is being prepared for the Roy lines. It will be offered to business interests as an advertising medium and is a good thing as a business as well as a phone directory for those who wish it. You will likely be solicited.

Small pox in a mild form has appeared in Roy, three families have been isolated and no fear is entertained of its spreading or becoming serious.

I. C. Floersheim, of Albuquerque, visited his parents and old friends here last week-end while recovering from the flu.

T. E. Sansbury and wife returned Saturday from Oklahoma, glad to be back on the mesa again as they all are after an absence anywhere.

Paul E. Anderson is back at the forge in the Anderson blacksmith shop. He is fussy about it but his old patrons are glad to have him pounding iron for them again.

W. H. Hamilton, of Mosquero came in last week with John Tobler and arranged to have his S-A. come on. He really believed we would cut him off if he didn't kick-in with the dinero.

Alvin Lusk and wife were in from their farm at Mills last week and took out a lister from the Baum store. They are planning to raise a bigger summer crop than ever this year.

Nels Wetterhus is another to take advantage of the S-A. club offer K-C Star and Plainsman along with the S-A. \$2.50 a year. That arrangement is going to be some trouble to us but, if our readers want it they must have it.

T. E. Mitchell & Son will ship a carload of fine registered White Face bulls to Roswell this week. They were sold there at the recent Stock show where they had an opportunity to show and advertise their herd where they would be appreciated.

Mrs. Ogden returned home Thursday and we have decided she shall stay at home in future. This batching has absolutely nothing to recommend it to us. Her sister, Miss Gertrude Collins is visiting their sister, Mrs. Pelphrey, at French, and will come to Roy soon for a time before returning to her home in Rockford, Illinois.

High Cost of Government and High Cost of Living.

The high cost of government is the first cause of the high cost of living. We must become sane in expenditures.

Elmer and Vernie Kenoyer drove from their farms in Colfax county, Monday and were greeting friends in Roy. They drive a flivver which has run out from under the back seat.

Miss Mae Worley came home from El Paso Monday. She was called to her home on account of the illness of her mother, and will remain till she is recovered.

WAIT A YEAR

Demand creates high prices. As the demand is satisfied or restricted, prices decrease. This is as true of public improvements as of other things desired. At the present time, contractors have all they can do to meet their obligations. They will enter into contract only at high figures. When present "jobs" are finished, they will be seeking contracts on lower bids. Isn't it a reasonable supposition?

Miss Bollington of Tucumcari is the new stenographer at the Roy Trust and Savings Bank.

Church goers of Roy were treated to two very interesting and instructive sermons Sunday. Rev. Wm. Vimont, who will be here regularly each 3d Sunday in future, preached in the morning. The central thought of his sermon was "By Their Fruits Ye Shall Know Them" and he is strong for demonstration rather than profession as a proof of Christianity.

In the evening, Dr. S. Alonso Bright delivered one of his always commanding sermons in which he presented religion as the original democracy, showed that now when Kings and divine right to rule have been thrown in the discard, the democratic teachings of the new testament stand out more clearly than ever proclaiming the universal "Fatherhood of God and Brotherhood of Man" and taking in the whole world as the premises. The broader grounds make Christianity easier for many people who refuse to be tied down to a denominational "Discipline."

T. E. Mitchell, Master of Acacia Lodge, No. 53, A. E. & A. M. of Roy, was honored with the appointment to the office of Jr. Grand Steward at the Grand Lodge held at Albuquerque last week. An honor to be appreciated by a young lodge as is this one. Judge Richard H. Hanna was elected Grand Master of the Grand Lodge.

Miss Adrian, who was elected a teacher in the Roy Schools recently to succeed Mrs. Carr when she resigned, was called back to her home in Illinois by a wire that her mother was dangerously ill, leaving a vacancy in the teaching staff. Miss Laska Gray, has resigned her position in the Roy Trust & Savings Bank and was elected to fill the vacancy and school carries on as per usual.

OUR BURDEN LIGHTENED

Million of men and women who have just paid taxes on incomes of \$5000 and less found the rate 33 per cent lower than it was for the previous year, and their saving was in proportion. That is to say, not including exemptions, this saving averaged \$2 on every \$100 of income upon which payment was made. To many thousands of persons on wages and salaries this reduction in the rate meant a cut of \$10 or \$20 in this year's payment.

This decrease in the tax rate on the smaller incomes—those of the vast number of taxpayers who depend on their daily earnings—is due to the foresight of a Democratic Congress. At the moment that hostilities were brought to a close in November, 1918, the Sixty-fifth Congress—a Democratic body—made prompt provision for a reduction in the tax rate on the average man's income during the succeeding calendar year—that is, for 1919.

In the aggregate this saving to those who can least afford to pay taxes runs into many millions of money. It appreciably reduces the cost of living in tens of thousands of homes. It will unquestionably be gratefully remembered by those who found at least one burden lighter than they expected it to be.

Charley Davis, of Bliss, Oklahoma, is here visiting the parental S. F. Davis home and other friends. He reports lots of wind in Oklahoma and much wheat blown out. The crop there is no further along than it is here which means it is a month or more behind as their season is normally that much earlier than ours, the altitude being a mile lower. Charley will still read the old S-A, for his news from home.

NO WONDER THEY FEAR THE ISSUE

Republican leaders are doubtless sincere in their statements that they do not want the treaty of peace to become an issue in the next presidential campaign. Their responsibility for its being a partisan question in the first place, and their accountability for the costly postponement of peace would, in that case, be put clearly and unmistakably before the voters, of whom some fifteen millions or more will be women whose sons and brothers fought to end war.

It was no part of the Republican plan that they should frankly avow their hostility to the treaty and the League of Nations, and assume the onus of their defeat. They schemed to preserve an appearance and give an impression of friendliness in the very act of striking the treaty dead. They hoped to be able to mourn with their lips while they rejoiced in their hearts at the treaty's death. They sought to gratify their rabid animosity toward the president by nullifying his efforts without hearing the consequences of their action.

The president's plain declaration of what he thinks of Republican tinkering with the treaty and the League of Nations may well frighten the Republican managers who have been trying to play a double part. They had not counted on having to stand, with the eyes of the country upon them, and answer the challenge.

George Lewis has his oven set up and tried out and has sent for a baker. As soon as he arrives the business of supplying Roy and other villages in this vicinity with bread will begin and the refreshment parlor will be opened to custom. It will be quite an addition to the entertainment features of Roy. Now the drug store and pool hall are the only places except home where there is a welcome or even admission after 6 p. m., except when there is a picture show or dance.

When the Republicans begin to seek election on the strength of some one else's alleged omissions or mistakes, instead of one the basis of their own performances, they will find getting office more difficult than they now suspect.

The many friends of Mrs. Lucille-Price Caldwell, who is now making her home at La Mesa, N. M., will be pleased to learn that she is the mother of a baby girl. Mrs. Caldwell was a teacher in the Mills schools last year.—Mills Developer.

MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION FOR VILLAGE ELECTION

Whereas, the laws of the State of New Mexico, governing the municipal affairs of towns and villages have set, a stated time for the election of officers for the same, and

Whereas, the village of Roy, under its articles of incorporation is in duty bound to elect officers for the ensuing fiscal year subject to state regulation, therefore I, Fred S. Brown, Mayor of the Village of Roy do proclaim Tuesday, April 6th, 1920 Election Day, for the Village of Roy, on which date, the qualified voters of said village will elect a Mayor, Four Trustees and a Village Clerk, for the term of One year, as prescribed by law. The usual polling place and election regulations will be observed in this election.

Done this 11th day of March, 1920, at Roy, New Mexico.
FRED S. BROWN,
Mayor.

MUNICIPAL SURVEYS AND AUDITS

The Taxpayers' Association of New Mexico is engaged in making financial surveys of towns and villages in the state. During the past few months such surveys have been made for Clayton, Belen, Magdalena, Socorro, Tularosa, Melfrose, Fort Sumner, Willard, Mountainair. In addition, Mr. Stephens, assistant to the Director of the Association, has made thorough audits from date of incorporation to the present time in Columbus, Carrizozo, Vaughn and Texico. Such audit will be made this month, also for the village of Roy. The Association furnishes these municipalities instructions for keeping proper accounts, forms for books and records being submitted for consideration.

The S-A is about out of advertising space and the demand for it is constantly increasing. We have tried to save the first page for news, but finally have yielded some concessions to our advertisers at a price that seems to compel it. We don't like front page ads but we simply need the money.

Karl Guthman came down from Dawson Monday and is visiting the parental W. H. Guthman home. His brother, Ed, is also here with his family.

R. L. Melton, has sold his farm northeast of town to Ira Theford. Consideration \$20 an acre.—Mills Developer.

Theo Bauer of Abbott, has billed a sale for April 8th.—Mills Developer. George Lucas was in town Monday the first in weeks.

A party of young people from Mosquero drove to French Tract last week and were entertained at the home of Mr. Clifford, a popular host to all young people. He gave a dance for them and they had a perfectly wonderful time. Members of the party were—Misses Rhynehart and Aytes, teachers at Mosquero and Miss Blanche Hall, and Messrs. Fred Tinker, Harry and Lawrence Kingsbury. Miss Hall formerly lived at French and it was really her party.

N. Beabout, a brother to the popular Ford Expert at the Beck Motor Co., arrived in Roy last week and will reside here in future. He is also a mechanic and an allround useful citizen.

Pablo Branch came down from Dawson, where he is working at the mines Monday to visit his family in Roy. His son, Benny, who has been ill for the past month or more with a nervous disorder, originating from growing too fast and working too hard indoors as P. O. Clerk, is improving and will soon be well enough to be out again but can't take up active work for some time.

Mrs. John Teeter, of Neosho, Mo. is scared up about missing a copy of the S-A, and sends a check this week to keep it coming.

W. W. Plant, of Clarksburg, West Virginia is another who doesn't want to miss the S-A. He says he intends coming back here some time to live but has too good a job to leave there now.

F. Kobel of Spiro, Oklahoma, sends a check to keep his S-A. coming. He says he has to have it regularly.

Mr. Stephens, of Santa Fe, an auditor for the Taxpayers' Association, has been in Roy, the past week auditing the accounts of the village and setting the administration right on modern methods of accounting, also adjusting the school accounts and attending to some assessment matters that are wrong. He is a pleasant gentleman to meet and his competency as an auditor is unquestioned.

Boyd Leatherman's horse fell on him and broke his ankle Monday evening at the public water tank on the street. It is a bad break and will lay him up for several weeks.

R. A. Pendleton is putting in the concrete floor in his new workshop at the rear of his garage. It is an adobe room and fitted especially for repair work on autos.

Wm. Baum fitted up a pump for a customer Tuesday which stretched the pipe and rods out a block and a half. The well is 426 feet deep but has plenty of water in it.

These March winds are getting on the nerves of many otherwise well-contented people. Let's get busy and earnestly pray together for the wind to cease and rain or snow to come or harness them to our use.

Wolcott Russel was at Tucumcari last week helping his old employer, Herman Goodman, with his office work. Mr. Goodman has incorporated a big company and is starting off on business on a larger scale and is rapidly getting in the class of the leading merchants of that rather good town.

The Russel Company of which Wolcott Russel is the head and Ray Bussey second, has three cars of Case Tractors and threshers ordered and will have them on the market here shortly.

Convention Call

The Democratic State Central Committee is hereby called to meet on Monday, April 12, 1920, in the city of Albuquerque, at Jefferson Hall, 110 North Third Street, at ten o'clock a. m. for the purpose of naming the time and place for holding the State Convention to elect delegates and alternates to the National Democratic Convention at San Francisco, and for the disposition of any other matters which may come before the meeting. Committeemen may give their proxies to women of their county and they will be recognized by the Chairman.

May I urge that we have a full attendance.

Very respectfully yours,
ARTHUR SELIGMAN,
Chairman.
Byron O. Beall, Secretary.

Even in the few instances in which the present Republican Congress has taken any action at all it has made only a negative use of its power and authority. It has blocked legislation on the subject of taxation; opposed attempts on the part of the executive departments to control the cost of living; cut appropriations for the Navy and for other branches of the public service; rejected every recommendation made by President Wilson, and capped the climax by obstructing and delaying peace. Defenders of this Republican Congress must admit that its principal efforts have been directed to hampering a Democratic administration. It will be discovered that it was neither good morals nor good strategy to spend time and labor to discredit, instead of trying to help Democratic efforts.

J. F. Baker writes for his S-A. from 337 N. Dewey St., Indianapolis, Indiana, where he is temporarily located.

SPECIAL TAX COMMISSION

In pursuance of an act passed by the legislature at its special session, Governor Larragula has appointed a commission to study the entire tax situation and report to the next legislature in 1921. The appointees are H. J. Hagerman, President of the Taxpayers' Association of New Mexico, Roswell; John Joerns, Secretary of the State Tax Commission, Santa Fe; J. E. Sheridan, State Mine Inspector, Silver City; W. G. Hayden, E. Las Vegas; J. P. McCanna, Albuquerque. An appropriation of \$5000 was made for the commission's expenses.

T. E. Mitchell went to Santa Fe Sunday to be a member of a "Class" taking the Scottish Rites of Free Masonry at the Alhambra Temple. Joe Beck and Si Kilmurray went Saturday. Si to "get his" and Joe as chaperone. They will have a fine time and learn some lessons not easily learned by common people.

One hears on every side talk about the "housing problem." Are people not making more of a problem out of this than it really is? Are not nine people out of ten side-stepping the real issue? If the country is short of houses why not the people build instead of paying exorbitant rents, one reason which they all complain.

While building costs are high the wages are high in proportion and it is no harder to build today than it was ten years ago under a lower scale of wages and prices.

The truth of the matter seems to be that there are too many people who do not wish to assume the responsibilities of home owning. Instead of putting their money into a home as their fathers did they are buying all manners of luxuries which they try to make themselves believe are necessities.

Buy Farms

Messrs. A. W. Thomas and H. T. Sullivan, of Wellington, Texas, friends and old neighbors of D. W. Wilson and G. H. White, of Solano, came here last week to buy land and they bought it. Mr. Sullivan got the big farm of George Hite, between Solano and Mosquero, and Mr. Thomas bought the School section on which is the Roy Cemetery from Fred Brown. We are forbidden to tell the prices paid for these farms by some home people who want to buy some more land before they have to pay such prices to get it. These gentlemen have the money and know what they want and paid to get it. There are not two more desirable sections on the mesa and we are glad they are coming to farm with us. The day of \$800 a quarter section is long past here and the day of \$20 an acre land is also a matter of history except in a few instances.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Noah Tipton of Running Water, Texas a baby girl. Mrs. Tipton was formerly Miss Ethel Carter of Mills.—Developer.

Public Health

The State Public Health Laboratory, operated jointly by the State Department of Health and the University of New Mexico, is ready to commence operation, after many setbacks due to slow deliveries of equipment. The laboratory is located in Albuquerque, at the University.

It is the purpose of the laboratory to furnish for the people of the state the same expert service that is maintained by practically all health departments of states and large municipalities, in their efforts to protect the public health. The following examinations are the more important ones that can be made at present:

Blood test for typhoid fever. Throat and nose cultures for diphtheria.

Wassermann blood test for syphilis. Smears for gonorrhea. Brains of animals for rabies.

As soon as the full supply of shipping cases arrives it will be possible to take examinations of blood for malaria; of stools for typhoid fever; dysentery and parasites; of sputum for tuberculosis, and of water and sewage, together with other miscellaneous work.

Each health officer in the state is being furnished with shipping cases and complete instructions for preparing specimens. Cases in reasonable quantities will also be sent to hospitals, camps, large unincorporated communities and isolated physicians, upon request. No specimens will be accepted unless sent in one of these cases, as required by the postal laws.

It is the desire of the State Department of Health that these laboratory facilities be made use of as widely as possible, for they will not only render it easier for the physician to arrive at a correct diagnosis of his cases of communicable diseases, but will afford a protection to the people of the state that has never before been available to the public at large.

All services of the laboratory are free. Any examination that is required for the protection of the public health will be made and also any examination, within the scope of the laboratory, for persons unable to pay for such service, but when a patient is able to pay for an examination that is desired by his physician solely for the purpose of confirming a diagnosis, it is expected that such specimens will be sent to some private laboratory, of which there is several of high standing within reach of physicians in this state. The Laboratory has been obliged to make this ruling on account of the limited facilities available at this time.

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